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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

In order to calculate the dynamic loads between contacting teeth of spiral bevel gears, it is necessary to compute first the elastic deformation of the tooth contacting surface under an unit normal load located at any arbitrary point on the surface. This was accomplished by Chao(1) using the finite element method. To insure accuracy, the finite element method was employed not only for the gear tooth but also for the gear wheel, hub and shaft. Such an approach necessitates the use of a large number of elements, and the computer cost was found to be prohibitive.

A simplified method is developed in this report to obtain the flexibility matrix, i.e., the deflection along the direction normal to the surface at each grid point on the tooth face due to an unit normal force acting on this point. In this analysis, an existing finite element code SAPIV was used to compute the deformation of the tooth itself. For the deformation of the gear wheel and shaft, conventional beam theory is employed. The total deformation is obtained by using the principle of superposition.

CHAPTER II

ELASTIC COEFFICIENTS

In order to obtain the deflection in the normal direction due to an unit normal force acting on a given grid point(Fig. 2-1), one can separate the gear into two parts: (1) tooth (2) wheel and shaft(Fig. 2-2). After obtaining the deflections from the above two parts, one can superimpose them to obtain the total deflection. Then the deflection in the normal direction at each grid point on the tooth face can be determined.

2.1 Deflection of Tooth Fixed on Root Cone

By fixing the root of the tooth, the finite element program SAPIV can be used to calculate the displacements of each grid point on the tooth surface for an unit normal load applied at any arbitrary grid point. In this calculation, three dimensional solid elements(eight node brick) are used. Fig. 2-3 shows the node number of a typical spiral bevel tooth which has a profile geometry indentical to that used by Chao(1). Appendix A gives two samples of input data for SAPIV.

2.2 Deflection of Wheel and Shaft

Let us consider the wheel and shaft as a beam. There are two axial planes perpendicular to each other and a transverse plane for the pinion or gear shaft as shown in Fig. 2-4(p. 25) for calculating the displacements in the xy plane. The boundary conditions are (see Fig. 2-5):

$$(D_y)_C = (D_y)_D = 0$$

$$(D_x)_C = 0 \tag{2.1}$$

$$(\theta_x)_E = 0$$

where $(D_y)_C$ is the displacement of point C along the y axis and $(\theta_x)_E$ is the angular displacement about the x axis at point E.

The unit normal force acting at any grid point G (Fig. 2-6) can be replaced by a set of forces and couples applied at the center of the cross section cut by the transverse plane (Fig. 2-4) through the grid point. The principle of superposition is applied here, and the deflection due to the force or the couple can be computed separately as shown in the following sections. These deflections can then be added algebraically to obtain the total deflection.

2.2.1 Deflections Due To Bending Moment

Fig. 2-7 is the free body diagram the unit normal force acting at a grid point on the gear contacting surface has been replaced by a set of forces and couples applied on the center of the cross section cut by the transverse plane through the grid point at a distance L from the y axis.

To obtain the deflection and slope at L , the beam is divided into 3 portions.

$$(1) \quad b \leq x < d$$

Considering the force equilibrium of the portion of the beam between B and E (Fig. 2-8), one obtains

$$M_2 = P(b - L) - M_0 \quad (2.2)$$

The moment of inertia of the cross sectional area with respect to the neutral axis is

$$I_1 = \frac{\pi(r_s^4 - r_i^4)}{4} \quad (2.3)$$

To obtain the deflection and slope at B due to the force P and moment M_2 , one can consider the deflection owing to P or M_2 separately. Referring to beam deflection table (2) and using the principle of superposition the

following results are obtained

$$y_B = \frac{b-c}{6EI_1} [2P(c-b)(d-b) + M_2(2d-3b+c)] \quad (2.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_B = \frac{1}{6EI_1} [& P(c-b)(2d-3b+c) + \\ & 2M_2(d+2c-3b)] \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

where E is the modulus of elasticity.

Appendix B shows a detailed derivation of the deflection and slope at point B by solving differential equation of the elastic line B C D E.

$$(2) \quad a < L < x < b$$

Fig 2-9 is the free body diagram for the forces acting on the portion of the beam to the right of point L. One obtains

$$M_3 = P(x-L) - M_0 \quad (2.6)$$

Radius of pitch cone on the cross section passed by the transverse plane at a distance x from the y axis is

$$r_p = x \tan \theta_p \quad (2.7)$$

where θ_p is the pitch angle.

The moment of inertia of the cross-sectional area with respect to the neutral axis at a distance x from the y axis is

$$I_3 = \frac{\pi(x^4 \tan^4 \theta_p - r_i^4)}{4} \quad (2.8)$$

The differential equation is

$$\begin{aligned} y'' &= -\frac{M_3}{EI_3} \\ &= \frac{-4P}{\pi E \tan^4 \theta_p} \left[\frac{x - (L + \frac{M_0}{P})}{x^4 - \frac{r_i^4}{\tan^4 \theta_p}} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

Let

$$A_5 = \frac{-4P}{\pi E \tan^4 \theta_p} \quad (2.10)$$

$$A_6 = L + \frac{M_0}{P} \quad (2.11)$$

$$A_7 = \frac{r_i^4}{\tan^4 \theta_p} \quad (2.12)$$

If $r_i \neq 0$

$$y' = A_5 \int \left(\frac{x - A_6}{x^4 - A_7^4} \right) dx + C_5 \quad (2.13)$$

$$y' = A_5 \int \left(\frac{D_1}{x - A_7} + \frac{D_2}{x + A_7} + \frac{D_3 x + D_4}{x^2 + A_7^2} \right) dx + C_5 \quad (2.14)$$

$$= A_5 \left[D_1 \ln|x - A_7| + D_2 \ln|x + A_7| + \frac{D_3}{2} \ln(x^2 + A_7^2) + \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{D_4}{A_7} \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{A_7} \right] + C_5$$

where

$$D_1 = -\frac{1}{4A_7^3} (A_7 - A_6) \quad (2.15)$$

$$D_2 = \frac{1}{4A_7^3} (A_6 + A_7) \quad (2.16)$$

$$D_3 = -\frac{1}{2A_7^2} \quad (2.17)$$

$$D_4 = \frac{A_6}{2A_7^2} \quad (2.18)$$

C_5 can be determined from the condition

$$y' = y'_B \quad \text{at } x = b$$

One obtains

$$C_5 = y_B - A_5[D_1 \ln|b - A_7| + D_2 \ln|b + A_7| + \quad (2.19)$$

$$\frac{D_3}{2} \ln(b^2 + A_7^2) + \frac{D_4}{A_7} \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{A_7}]$$

Separating variables and integrating one obtains

$$y = A_5[D_1(x - A_7) \ln|x - A_7| - D_1(x - A_7) + \quad (2.20)$$

$$D_2(x + A_7) \ln|x + A_7| - D_2(x + A_7) +$$

$$\frac{D_3 x}{2} \ln(x^2 + A_7^2) - D_3 x + D_3 A_7 \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{A_7} +$$

$$\frac{D_4 x}{A_7} \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{A_7} - \frac{D_4}{2} \ln\left[\left(\frac{x}{A_7}\right)^2 + 1\right] + C_5 x + C_6$$

At $x = b$, $y = y_B$, one obtains

$$C_6 = y_B - A_5[D_1(b - A_7)[\ln|b - A_7| - 1] + \quad (2.21)$$

$$D_2(b + A_7)[\ln|b + A_7| - 1] + \frac{D_3 b}{2} [\ln(b^2 + A_7^2) -$$

$$2] + \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{A_7} (D_3 A_7 + \frac{D_4 b}{A_7}) - \frac{D_4}{2} \ln\left[\left(\frac{b}{A_7}\right)^2 + 1\right] -$$

$$C_5 b$$

Setting $x = L$, one obtains the deflection and slope of point L

$$y_L = A_5 \{ D_1 (L - A_7) [\ln |L - A_7| - 1] + \quad (2.22)$$

$$D_2 (L + A_7) [\ln |L + A_7| - 1] + \frac{D_3 L}{2} [\ln (L^2 + A_7^2) -$$

$$2] + \tan^{-1} \frac{L}{A_7} (D_3 A_7 + \frac{D_4 L}{A_7}) - \frac{D_4}{2} \ln [(\frac{L}{A_7})^2 + 1] \} +$$

$$C_5 L + C_6$$

$$y'_L = A_5 [D_1 \ln |L - A_7| + D_2 \ln |L + A_7| + \quad (2.23)$$

$$\frac{D_3}{2} \ln (L^2 + A_7^2) + \frac{D_4}{A_7} \tan^{-1} \frac{L}{A_7}] + C_5$$

$$\text{If } r_i = 0$$

$$y' = A_5 \int \left(\frac{x - A_6}{x^4} \right) dx + C'_5$$

$$= - \frac{A_5}{6x^3} (3x - 2A_6) + C'_5 \quad (2.24)$$

$$y = \frac{A_5}{6x^2} (3x - A_6) + C'_5 x + C'_6 \quad (2.25)$$

By knowing $y' = y'_B$ and $y = y_B$ at $x = b$, one obtains

$$c'_5 = y'_B + \frac{A_5}{6b^3}(3b - 2A_6) \quad (2.26)$$

$$c'_6 = y_B - \frac{A_5}{6b^2}(3b - A_6) - c'_5 b \quad (2.27)$$

Replacing x by L into equations (2.24) and (2.25)

$$y_L = \frac{A_5}{6L^2}(3L - A_6) + c'_5 L + c'_6 \quad (2.28)$$

$$y'_L = -\frac{A_5}{6L^3}(3L - 2A_6) + c'_5 \quad (2.29)$$

$$(3) \quad a < x < L$$

Setting $x = a$ into equations (2.14) and (2.20) (or (2.24) and (2.25) as $r_i = 0$), one obtains y_A and y'_A .

Then

$$y_L = y_A + (L - a)y'_A \quad (2.30)$$

$$y'_L = y'_A \quad (2.31)$$

The displacement of grid point G can be calculated from the displacement of L by virtue of the fact that

G and L lie in the same transverse plane which is assumed to remain plane after deformation.

Fig. 2-10 shows how the grid point G moves to the final position following the displacement of point L.

Here

$$D = |y_L| \quad (2.32)$$

$$\theta = |y'_L| \quad (2.33)$$

Hence, one can obtain the displacement of the grid point G by rotation about point L and translation.

2.2.2 Deflections Due to Shearing Strain

Referring to Fig. 2-7 again, one can divide the beam into 3 portions for derivation.

$$(1) \quad b < x < c$$

$$I_1 = \frac{\pi(r_s^4 - r_i^4)}{4}$$

The maximum shear stress τ_{\max} is induced on neutral plane. So

$$b_1 = 2(r_s - r_i) \quad (2.34)$$

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{P}{I_1 b_1} \int_{r_i}^{r_s} y dA$$

$$= \frac{8(r_s^3 - r_i^3)P}{3\pi b_1(r_s^4 - r_i^4)} \quad (2.35)$$

Then the slope of the elastic line becomes

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\tau_{\max}}{G} \quad (2.36)$$

where G is the shear modulus.

Integrating

$$y = \frac{\tau_{\max}}{G}x + C_7 \quad (2.37)$$

Using the condition: $y = 0$ at $x = c$, one obtains

$$C_7 = - \frac{\tau_{\max}c}{G} \quad (2.38)$$

Then the deflection of point B becomes

$$y_B = \frac{\tau_{\max}b}{G} + C_7 \quad (2.39)$$

$$(2) \quad a < L < x < b$$

Referring to Fig. 2-9

$$r_p = x \tan \theta_p$$

$$I_2 = \frac{\pi(x^4 \tan^4 \theta_p - r_i^4)}{4} \quad (2.40)$$

$$b_2 = 2(r_p - r_i) \quad (2.41)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{\max} &= \frac{P}{I_2 b_2} \int_{r_i}^{r_p} y dA \\ &= \frac{P(r_p^2 + r_p r_i + r_i^2)}{3I_2} \end{aligned} \quad (2.42)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\tau_{\max}}{G} \\ &= \frac{4P(r_p^2 + r_p r_i + r_i^2)}{3\pi G(r_p^4 - r_i^4)} \end{aligned} \quad (2.43)$$

$$dx = \frac{dr_p}{\tan \theta_p} \quad (2.44)$$

Let

$$A_8 = \frac{4P}{3\pi G \tan \theta_p} \quad (2.45)$$

$$r_{pB} = b \tan \theta_p \quad (2.46)$$

$$r_{pL} = L \tan \theta_p \quad (2.47)$$

If $r_i \neq 0$

$$y = A_8 \int \left(\frac{r_p^2 + r_i r_p + r_i^2}{r_p^4 - r_i^4} \right) dr_p + C_8$$

$$= A_8 [D_5 \ln|r_p - r_i| + D_6 \ln|r_p + r_i| + \frac{D_7}{2} \ln(r_p^2 + r_i^2)] + C_8 \quad (2.48)$$

where

$$D_5 = \frac{3}{4r_i} \quad (2.49)$$

$$D_6 = -\frac{1}{4r_i} \quad (2.50)$$

$$D_7 = -\frac{1}{2r_i} \quad (2.51)$$

Using the condition: $y = y_B$ at $x = b$, one obtains

$$C_8 = y_B - A_8 [D_5 \ln|r_{pB} - r_i| + D_6 \ln|r_{pB} + r_i| + \frac{D_7}{2} \ln(r_{pB}^2 + r_i^2)] \quad (2.52)$$

Setting $x = L$, one obtains the deflection and slope at point L

$$y_L = A_8 [D_5 \ln|r_{pL} - r_i| + D_6 \ln|r_{pL} + r_i| + \frac{D_7}{2} \ln(r_{pL}^2 + r_i^2)] + C_8 \quad (2.53)$$

$$y'_L = \frac{4P(r_{pL}^2 + r_{pL}r_i + r_i^2)}{3\pi G(r_{pL}^4 - r_i^4)} \quad (2.54)$$

If $r_i = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= A_8 \int \frac{1}{r_p^2} dr_p + C_8' \\ &= -\frac{A_8}{r_p} + C_8' \end{aligned} \quad (2.55)$$

Using the condition: $y = y_B$ at $x = b$, one obtains

$$C_8' = y_B + \frac{A_8}{r_{pB}} \quad (2.56)$$

Setting $x = L$, the deflection and slope at point L become

$$y_L = -\frac{A_8}{r_{pL}} + C_8' \quad (2.57)$$

$$y_L' = \frac{4P}{3\pi G r_{pL}^2} \quad (2.58)$$

(3) $a < x < L$

Setting $x = a$ in equations (2.43) and (2.48) (or (2.55) as $r_i = 0$), one obtains y_A and y_A'

$$y_L = y_A + (L - a)y_A' \quad (2.59)$$

$$y_L' = y_A' \quad (2.60)$$

Using the same method discussed in section 2.2.1, one can obtain the displacement of the grid point G by rotation about point L and translation.

2.2.3 Deflection Due to Axial Force

Referring to Fig. 2-7, one can divide the beam into 3 portions for derivation of axial deflections.

$$(1) \quad b < x < c$$

The cross-sectional area of the shaft is

$$A_i = \pi(r_s^2 - r_i^2) \quad (2.61)$$

The deflection along the axis of the shaft is

$$\delta_1 = \frac{P_t(c - b)}{\pi E(r_s^2 - r_i^2)} \quad (2.62)$$

$$(2) \quad a < L < x < b$$

$$r_p = x \tan \theta_p$$

The cross-sectional area of the pitch cone is

$$A_{ii} = \pi(x^2 \tan^2 \theta_p - r_i^2) \quad (2.63)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
d\delta_2 &= \frac{P_t dx}{A_{ii} E} \\
&= \frac{P_t dx}{\pi E (x^2 \tan^2 \theta_p - r_i^2)} \\
\delta_2 &= \frac{P_t}{\pi E \tan^2 \theta_p} \int_L^b \frac{1}{(x^2 - \frac{r_i^2}{\tan^2 \theta_p})} dx \quad (2.64)
\end{aligned}$$

Let

$$A_9 = \frac{P_t}{\pi E \tan^2 \theta_p} \quad (2.65)$$

$$A_7 = \frac{r_i}{\tan \theta_p}$$

If $r_i \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_2 &= A_9 \int_L^b \left(\frac{1}{x^2 - A_7^2} \right) dx \\
&= \frac{A_9}{2A_7} \ln \left| \frac{(b - A_7)(L + A_7)}{(b + A_7)(L - A_7)} \right| \quad (2.66)
\end{aligned}$$

If $r_i = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_2 &= A_9 \int_L^b \frac{dx}{x^2} \\
&= A_9 \left(\frac{1}{L} - \frac{1}{b} \right) \quad (2.67)
\end{aligned}$$

$$(3) \quad a < x < L$$

$$\text{If } r_i \neq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_2 &= A_9 \int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{x^2 - A_7^2} \right) dx \\ &= \frac{A_9}{2A_7} \ln \left| \frac{(b - A_7)(a + A_7)}{(b + A_7)(a - A_7)} \right| \end{aligned} \quad (2.68)$$

$$\text{If } r_i = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_2 &= A_9 \int_a^b \frac{dx}{x^2} \\ &= A_9 \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (2.69)$$

The displacement of grid point G due to the axial force is

$$\delta = \delta_1 + \delta_2 \quad (2.70)$$

2.2.4 Deflections Due to Torsion

Again, referring to Fig. 2-7, one can divide the beam into 3 portions for derivations of torsional deflections.

$$(1) \quad b < x < e$$

The polar moment of inertia of the shaft is

$$J_1 = \frac{\pi(r_s^4 - r_i^4)}{2} \quad (2.71)$$

The total angle of twist of this portion becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_1 &= \frac{T(e - b)}{GJ_1} \\ &= \frac{2(e - b)T}{\pi G(r_s^4 - r_i^4)} \end{aligned} \quad (2.72)$$

$$(2) \quad a < L < x < b$$

$$r_p = x \tan \theta_p$$

$$J_2 = \frac{\pi(x^4 \tan^4 \theta_p - r_i^4)}{2} \quad (2.73)$$

$$d\phi_2 = \frac{Tdx}{GJ_2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_2 &= \int_L^b \left[\frac{2T}{\pi G(x^4 \tan^4 \theta_p - r_i^4)} \right] dx \\ &= \frac{2T}{\pi G \tan^4 \theta_p} \int_L^b \left(\frac{1}{x^4 - \frac{r_i^4}{\tan^4 \theta_p}} \right) dx \end{aligned} \quad (2.74)$$

Let

$$A_{10} = \frac{2T}{\pi G \tan^4 \theta_p} \quad (2.75)$$

$$A_7 = \frac{r_i}{\tan \theta_p}$$

If $r_i \neq 0$

The total angle of twist of this portion becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_2 &= A_{10} \int_L^b \left(\frac{1}{x^4 - A_7^4} \right) dx \\ &= A_{10} \left[\ln \left(\left| \frac{b - A_7}{L - A_7} \right|^{D_9} \cdot \left| \frac{b + A_7}{L + A_7} \right|^{D_{10}} \right) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{D_{12}}{A_7} \left(\tan^{-1} \frac{b}{A_7} - \tan^{-1} \frac{L}{A_7} \right) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (2.76)$$

where

$$D_9 = \frac{1}{4A_7^3} \quad (2.77)$$

$$D_{10} = - \frac{1}{4A_7^3} \quad (2.78)$$

$$D_{12} = - \frac{1}{2A_7^2} \quad (2.79)$$

If $r_i = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi_2 &= A_{10} \int_L^b \frac{dx}{x^4} \\
&= \frac{A_{10}}{3} \left(\frac{1}{L^3} - \frac{1}{b^3} \right)
\end{aligned} \tag{2.80}$$

$$(3) \quad L < x < a$$

$$\text{If } r_i \neq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi_2 &= A_{10} \int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{x^4} - \frac{1}{A_7^4} \right) dx \\
&= A_{10} \left[\ln \left(\left| \frac{b - A_7}{a - A_7} \right|^{D_9} \cdot \left| \frac{b + A_7}{a + A_7} \right|^{D_{10}} \right) + \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{D_{12}}{A_7} \left(\tan^{-1} \frac{b}{A_7} - \tan^{-1} \frac{a}{A_7} \right) \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{2.81}$$

$$\text{If } r_i = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi_2 &= A_{10} \int_a^b \frac{dx}{x^4} \\
&= \frac{A_{10}}{3} \left(\frac{1}{a^3} - \frac{1}{b^3} \right)
\end{aligned} \tag{2.82}$$

ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 can then be added to obtain the total angular displacement of the grid point G.

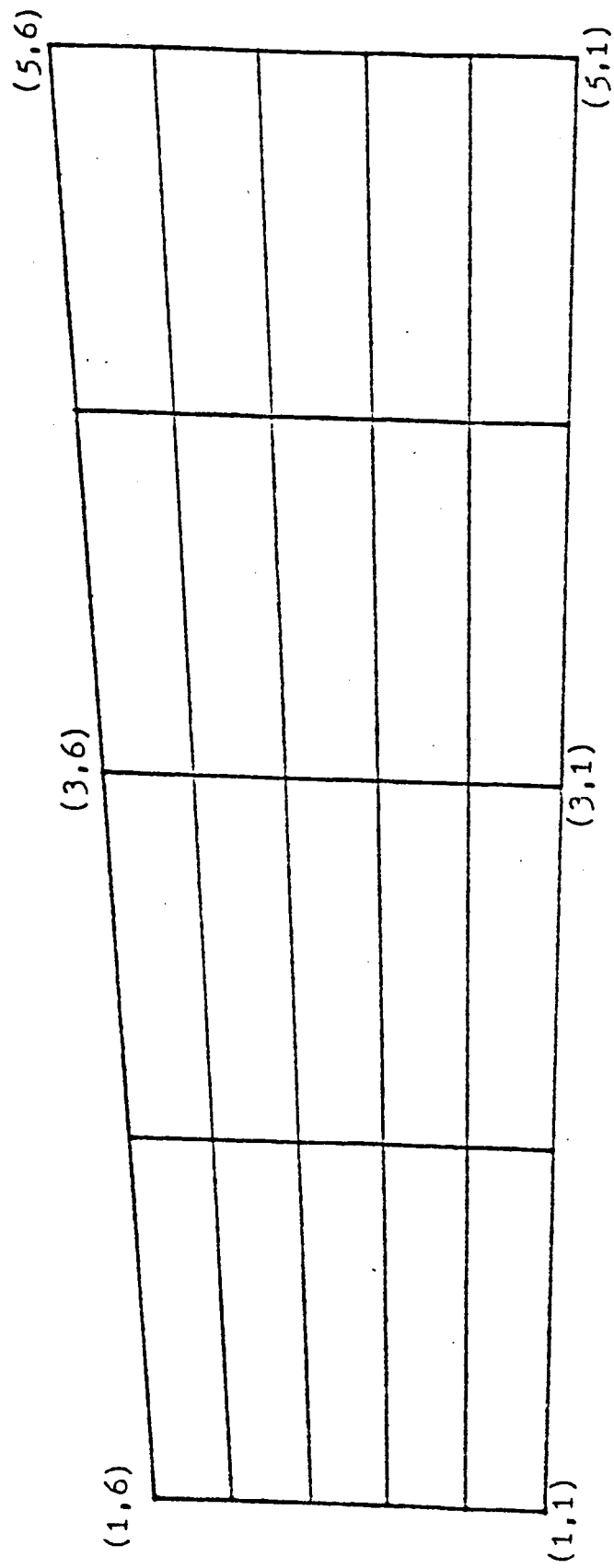


Fig. 2-1 Grid points of a tooth

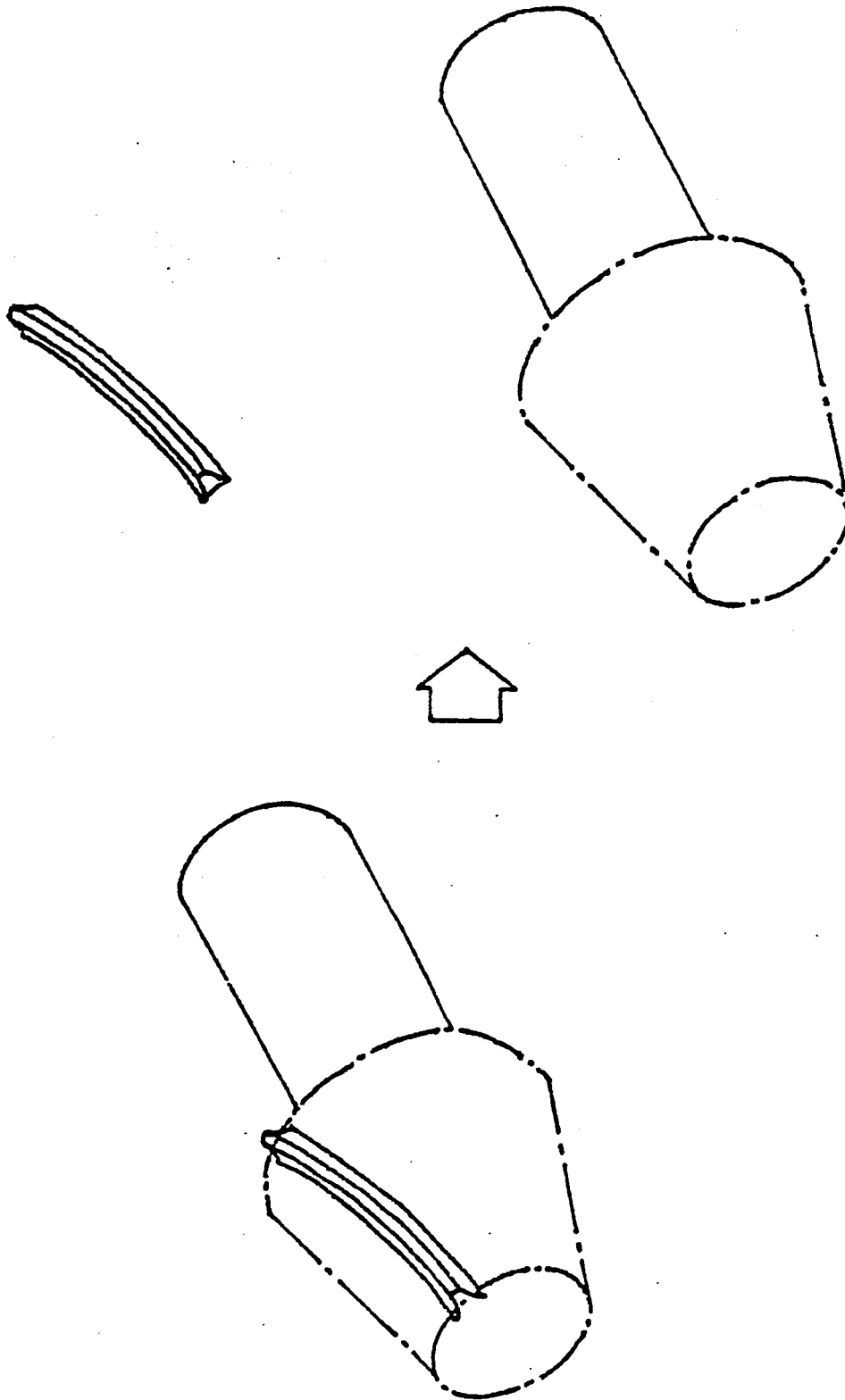


Fig. 2-2 Separation of gear

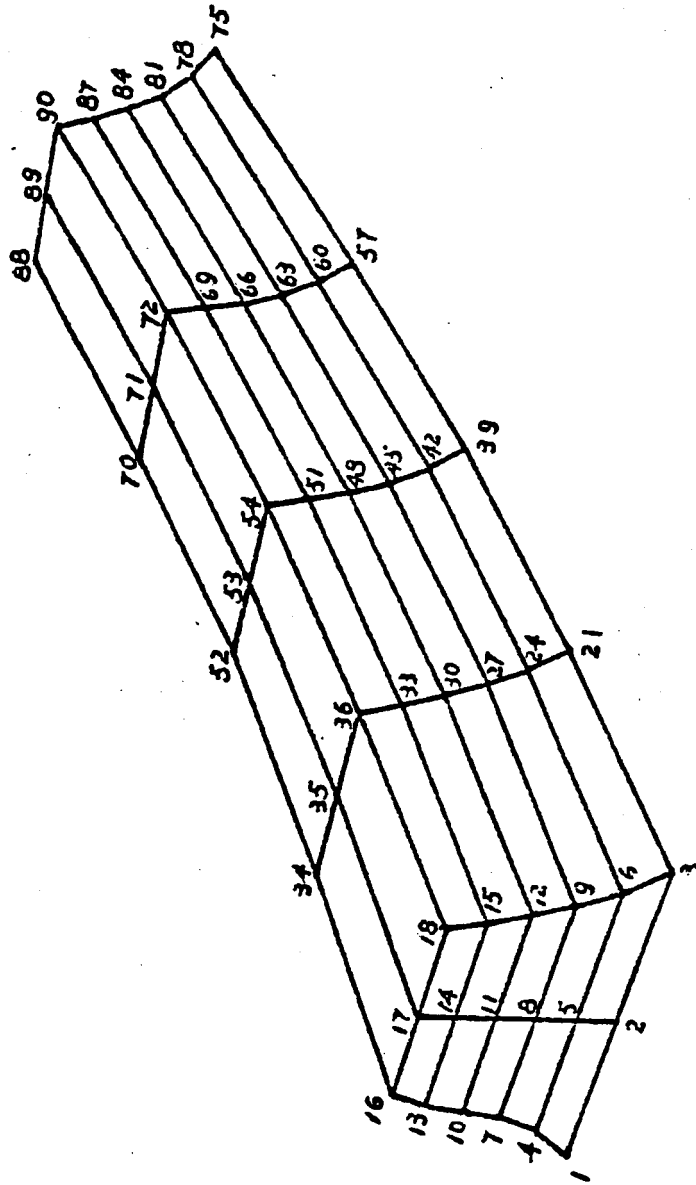


Fig. 2-3 Node number of a tooth

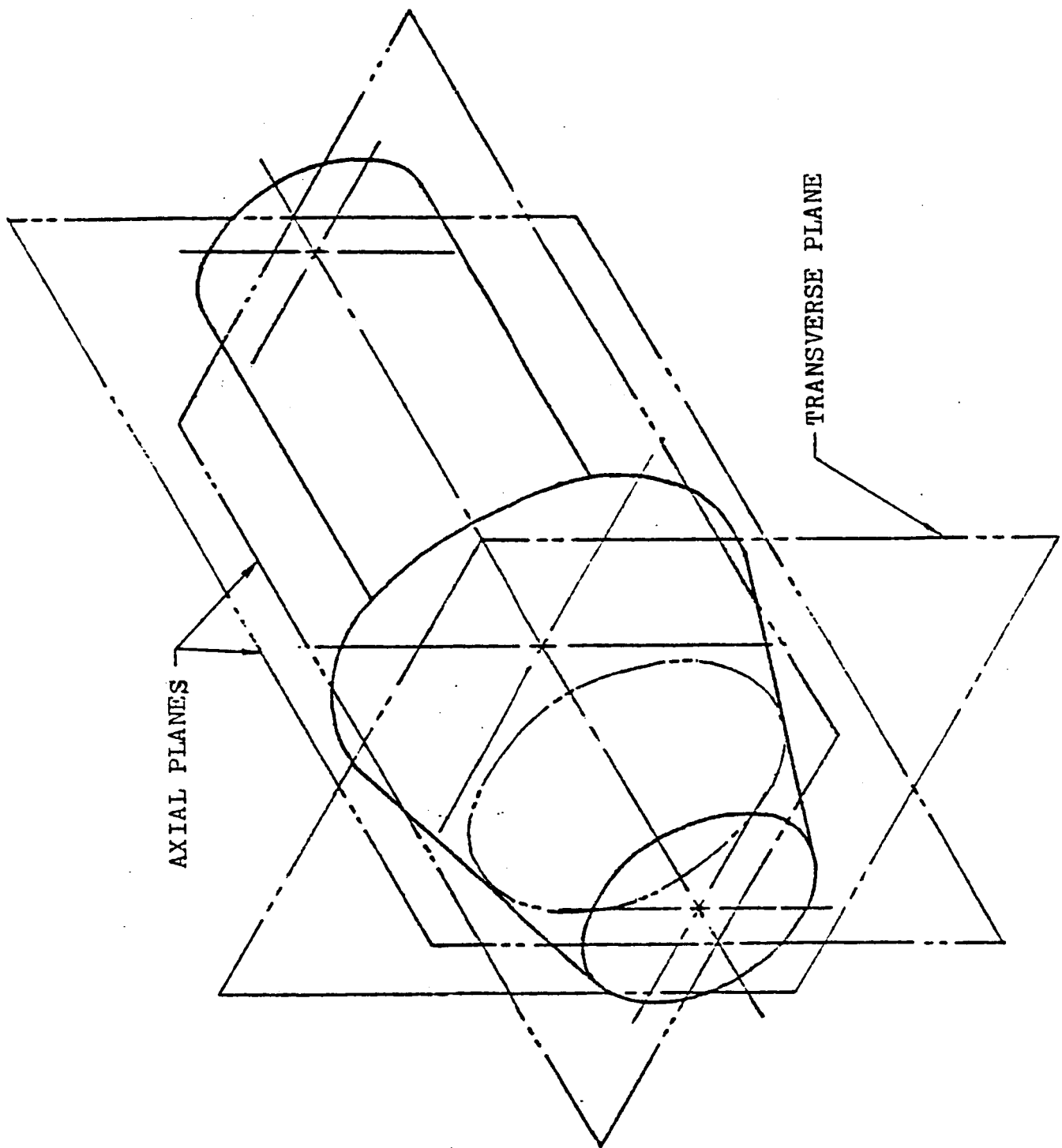


Fig. 2-4 Axial plane and transverse plane

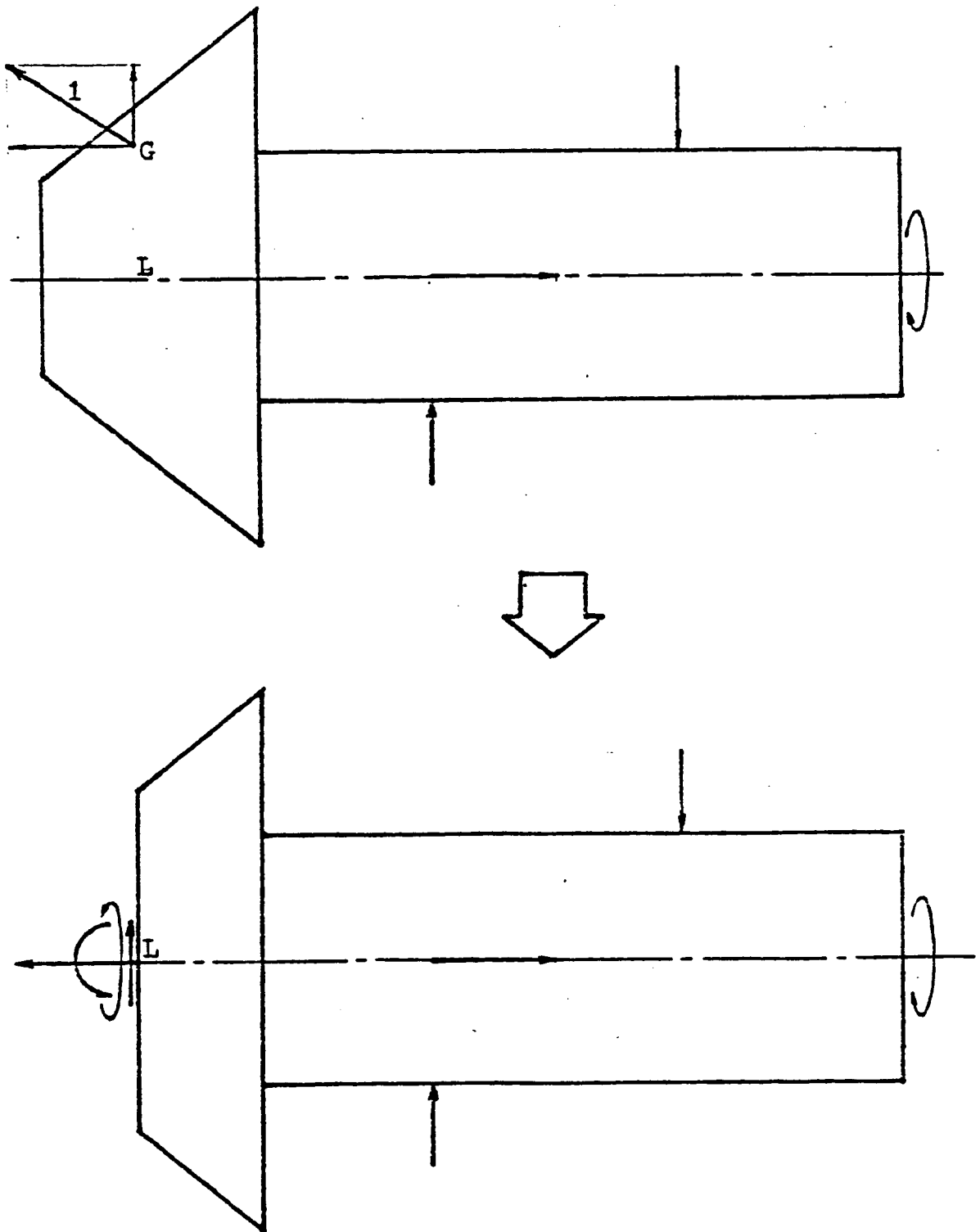


Fig. 2-6 Resolution of the unit normal force
acted on a grid point

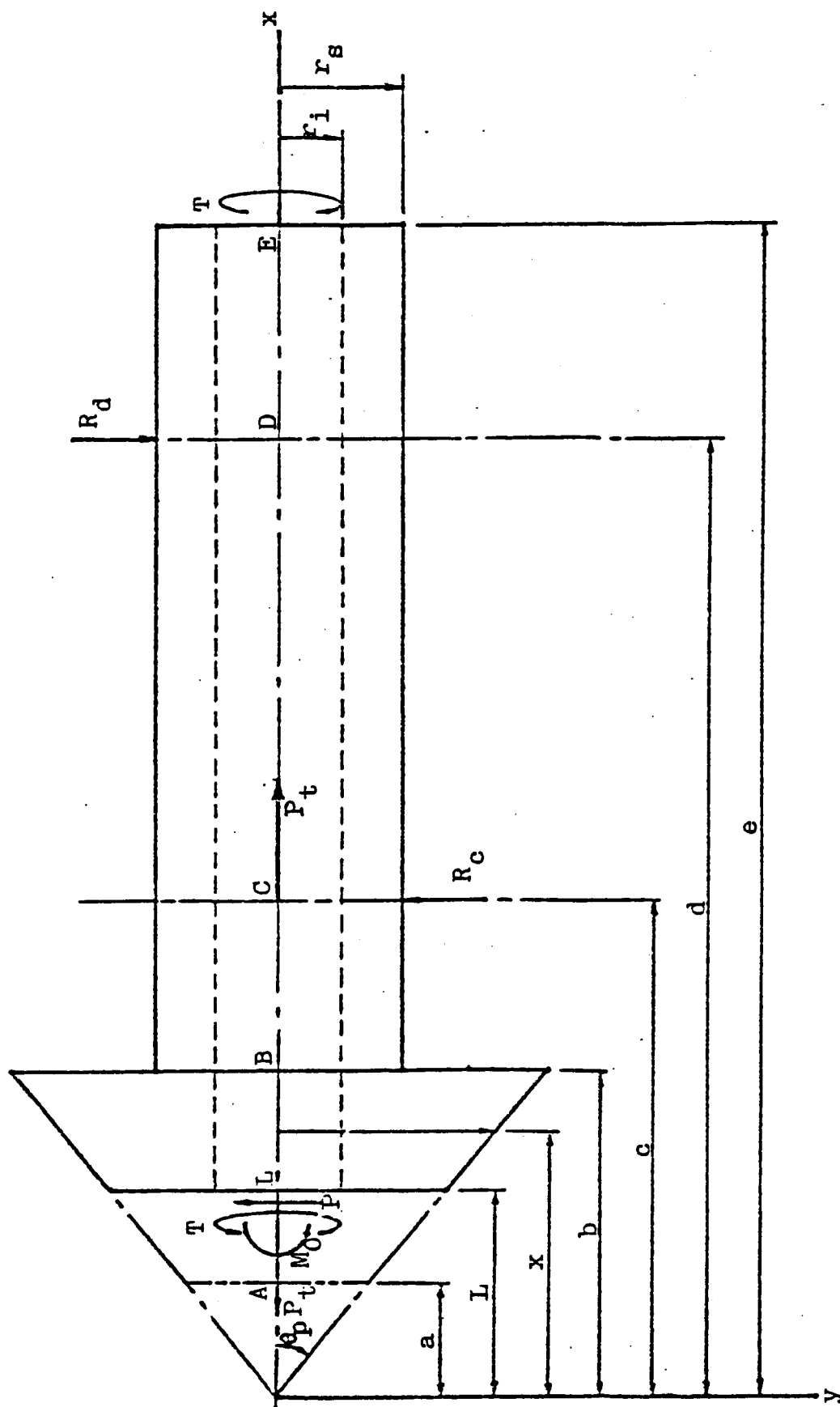


Fig. 2-7 Free body diagram after the resolution of the unit normal force

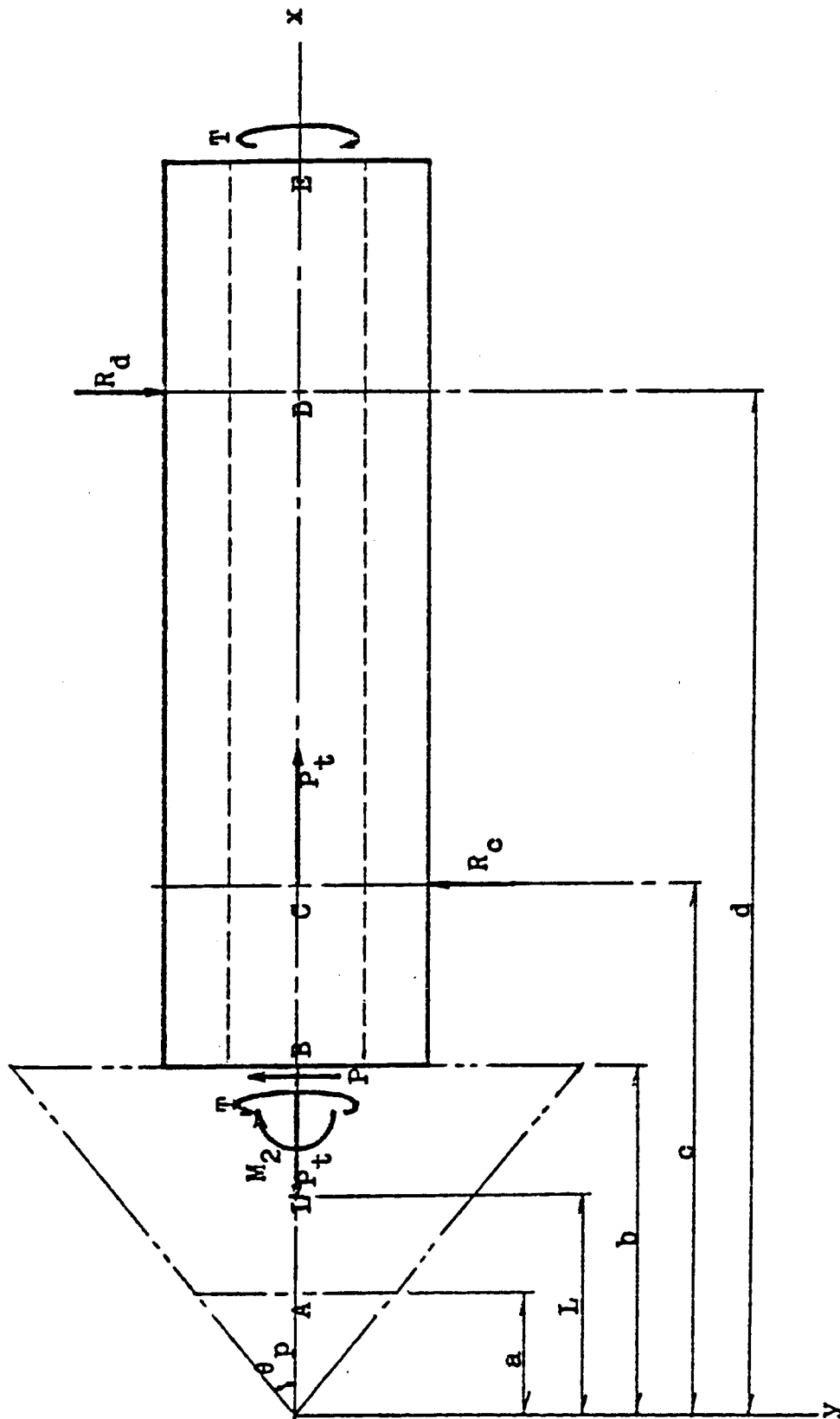


Fig. 2-8 Free body diagram of the beam between the points B and E

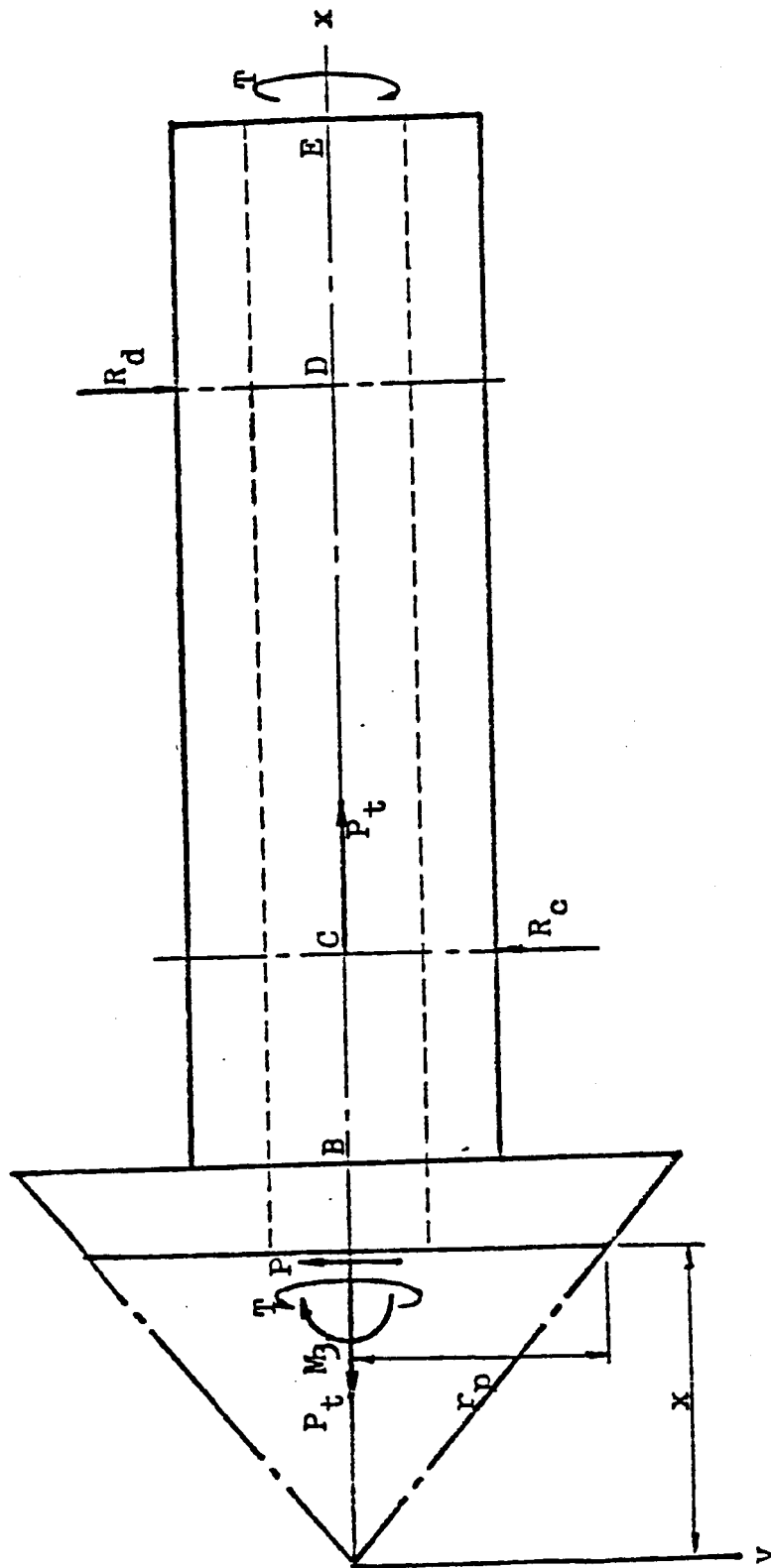


Fig. 2-9 Free body diagram of the beam to the right of point L

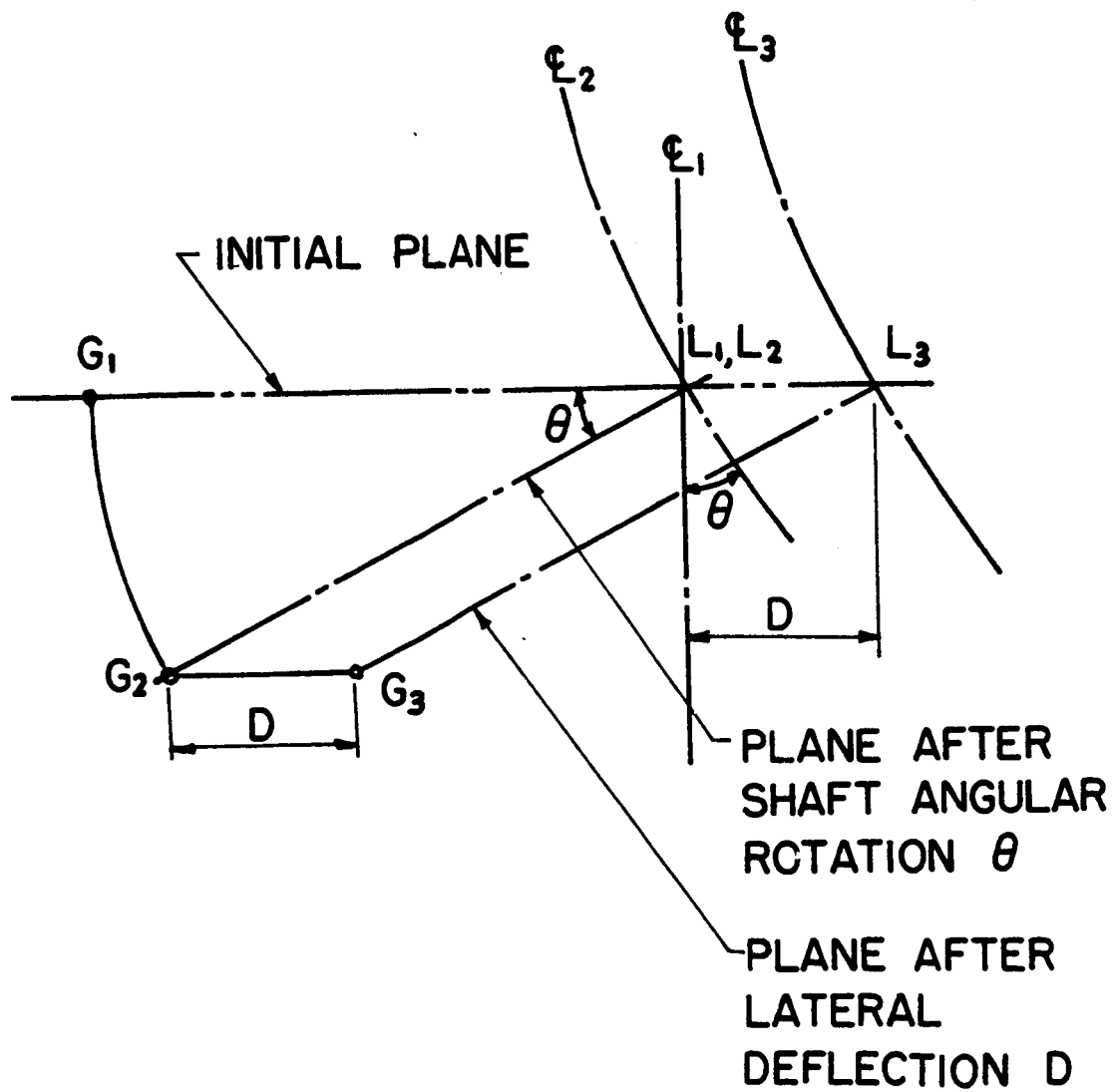


Fig. 2-10. Displacement of the grid point G

CHAPTER III

DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

3.1 Comparison with Charles Chao's Results

Fig. 3-1(p. 35) shows the variation of dynamic load factor(the ratio of the maximum dynamic load along the contact path to the static load at pitch point) as the speed of gear rotation is changed(bearing stiffness = 2,000,000 lbf/in, damping coefficient = 25 lbf.s/in). Since there are 11 degrees of freedom in the spiral bevel gear system, 11 peaks of dynamic load are expected. In the low speed region, a smaller time step in the Runge-Kutta method should be used to facilitate the convergence(Chao used $H = \text{ASTEP}/\text{WG}$ as the time step in Runge-Kutta method, where ASTEP is the rotational angle of the gear between two adjacent contact points used in Runge-Kutta method and WG is the angular speed of the gear).

Compared with Chao's results in Fig. 3-2, one finds that the peaks in Fig. 3-1 shift toward the left side. The reason is that Chao used smaller masses(m), moments of inertia(I) and flexibility influence coefficients(a) in the gear system. From Dunkerley's Formula(11), one finds

$$\omega_n^2 < \text{tr}(\underline{M}^{-1}\underline{K}) \quad (3.1)$$

where ω_n is the largest resonance frequency, tr means

the trace of the following matrix, \underline{M} is the mass matrix and \underline{K} is the stiffness matrix.

When m and I become larger \underline{M}^{-1} becomes smaller. k (element in the stiffness matrix) is the reciprocal of a . So \underline{K} becomes smaller as a becomes larger. In Fig. 3-1, larger m 's, I 's and a 's are used. Then the upper limit of ω_n^2 becomes smaller. This is why the peaks in Fig. 3-1 shift toward the left side.

3.2 Effect of Mass and Moment of Inertia

The upper bound to the resonance frequencies becomes larger when the mass and moment of inertia become smaller. In Fig. 3-3, all the factors are same as those used in Fig. 3-1, except the m and I are smaller. It is seen that the peaks in Fig. 3-3 shift toward the right.

3.3 Effect of Stiffness

The upper bound to the resonance frequencies becomes larger when the stiffness becomes larger. There are two kinds of stiffness in the spiral bevel gear system - contacting stiffness and bearing stiffness. In Fig. 3-4, a larger contacting stiffness was used in comparison to that used in Fig. 3-1. In contrast, a bearing stiffness smaller than that in Fig. 3-1 was used in Fig. 3-5. Expectedly, the peaks in Fig. 3-4 moves toward right due to stiffer teeth, and the peaks in Fig. 3-5 moves toward left due to a softer bearing stiffness.

3.4 Effect of Damping Coefficient

The change of damping coefficient has little influence on the resonance frequency. But the dynamic load increases as the damping coefficient decreases. In Fig. 3-6, a damping coefficient (DC) 15 lbf.s/in was adopted instead of DC = 25 lbf.s/in in Fig. 3-1. It is clearly see that the dynamic load factor in Fig. 3-6 is considerably increased due to a smaller damping coefficient.

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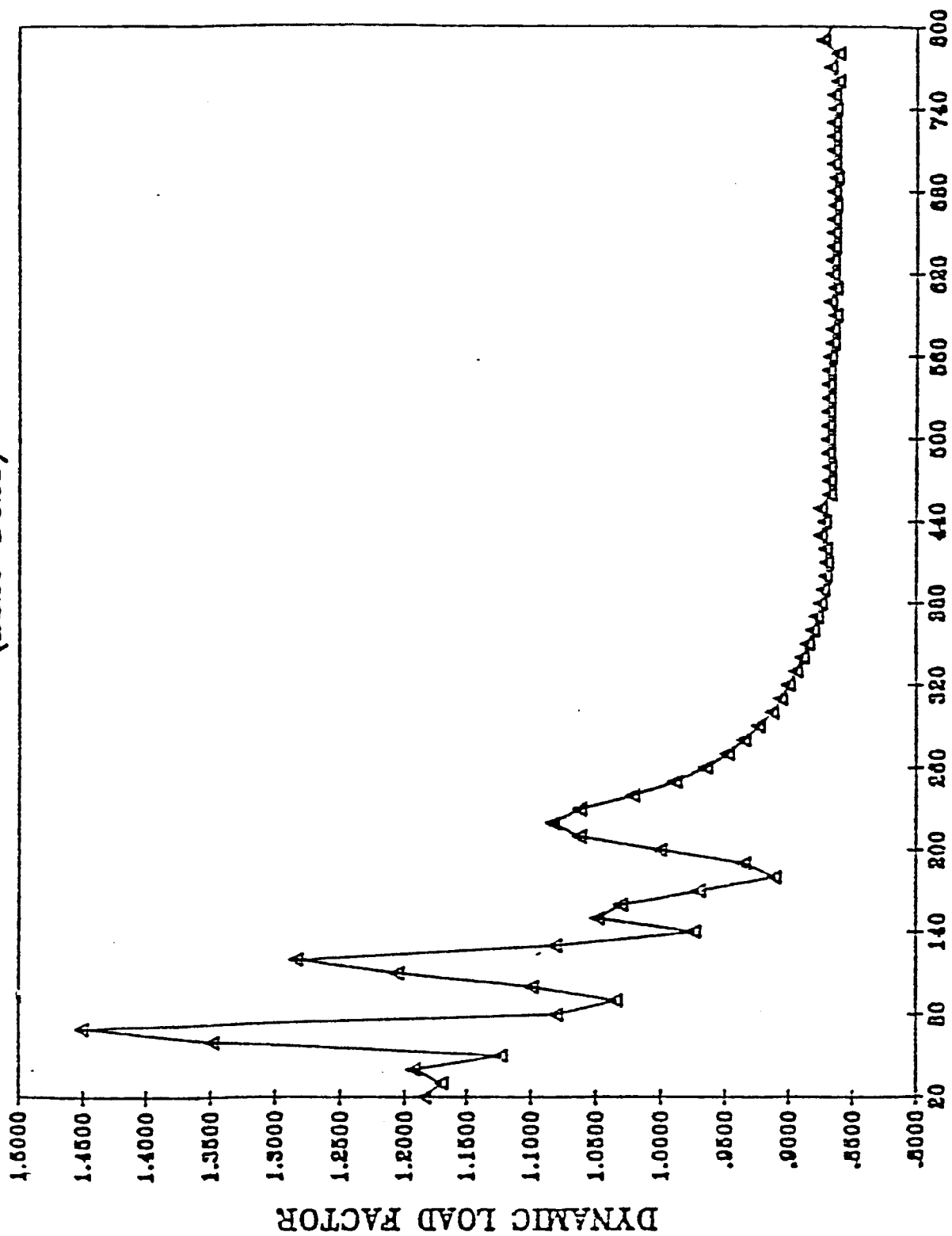


Fig. 3-1 The variation of dynamic load factor as the speed of gear rotation is changed (Hsu's m, I and a, bearing stiffness = 2,000,000 lbf/in, damping coefficient = 25 lbf.s/in)

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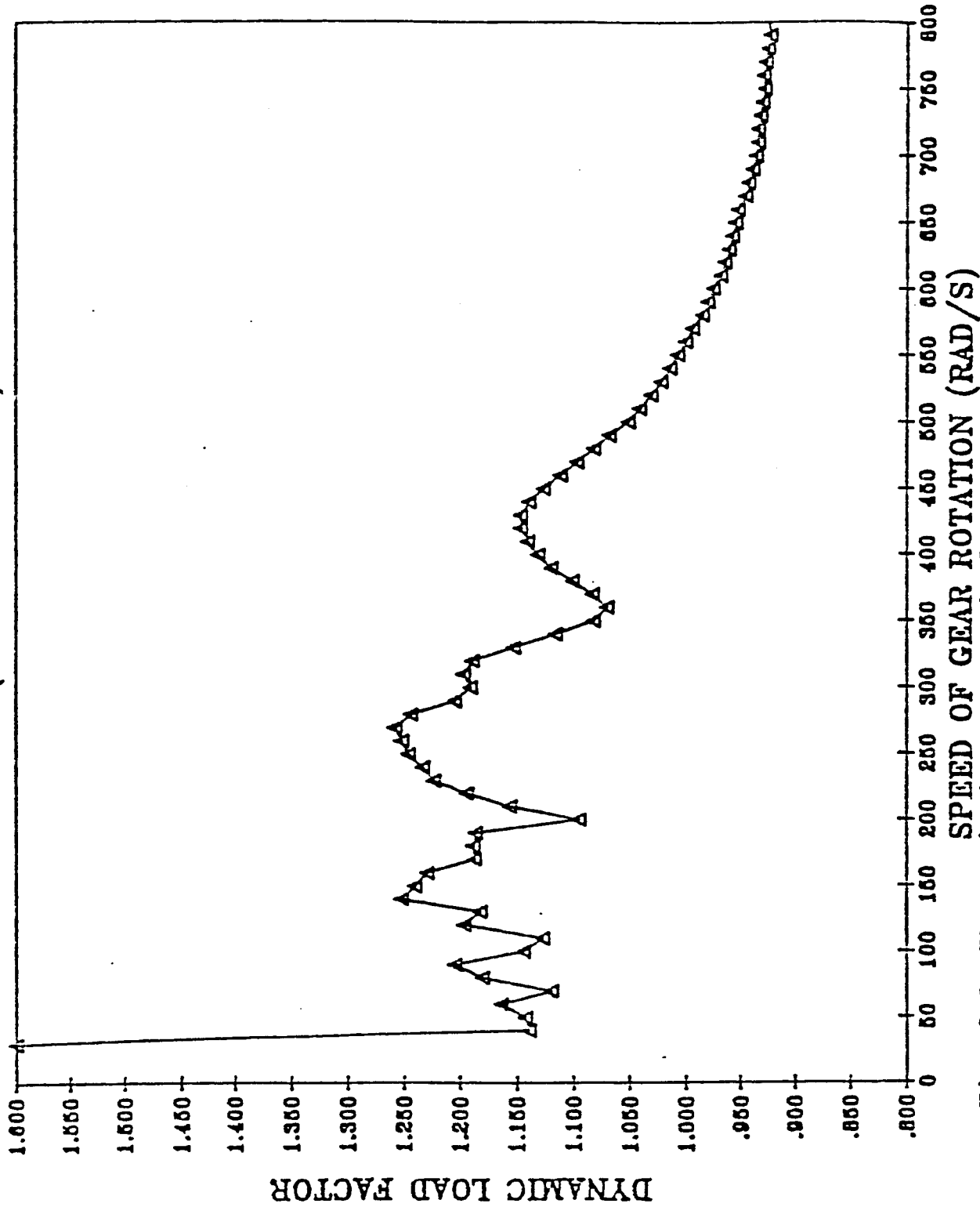


Fig. 3-2 The variation of dynamic load factor as the speed of gear rotation is changed (Chao's m, I and a, bearing stiffness = 2,000,000 lbf/in, damping coefficient = 25 lbf.s/in)

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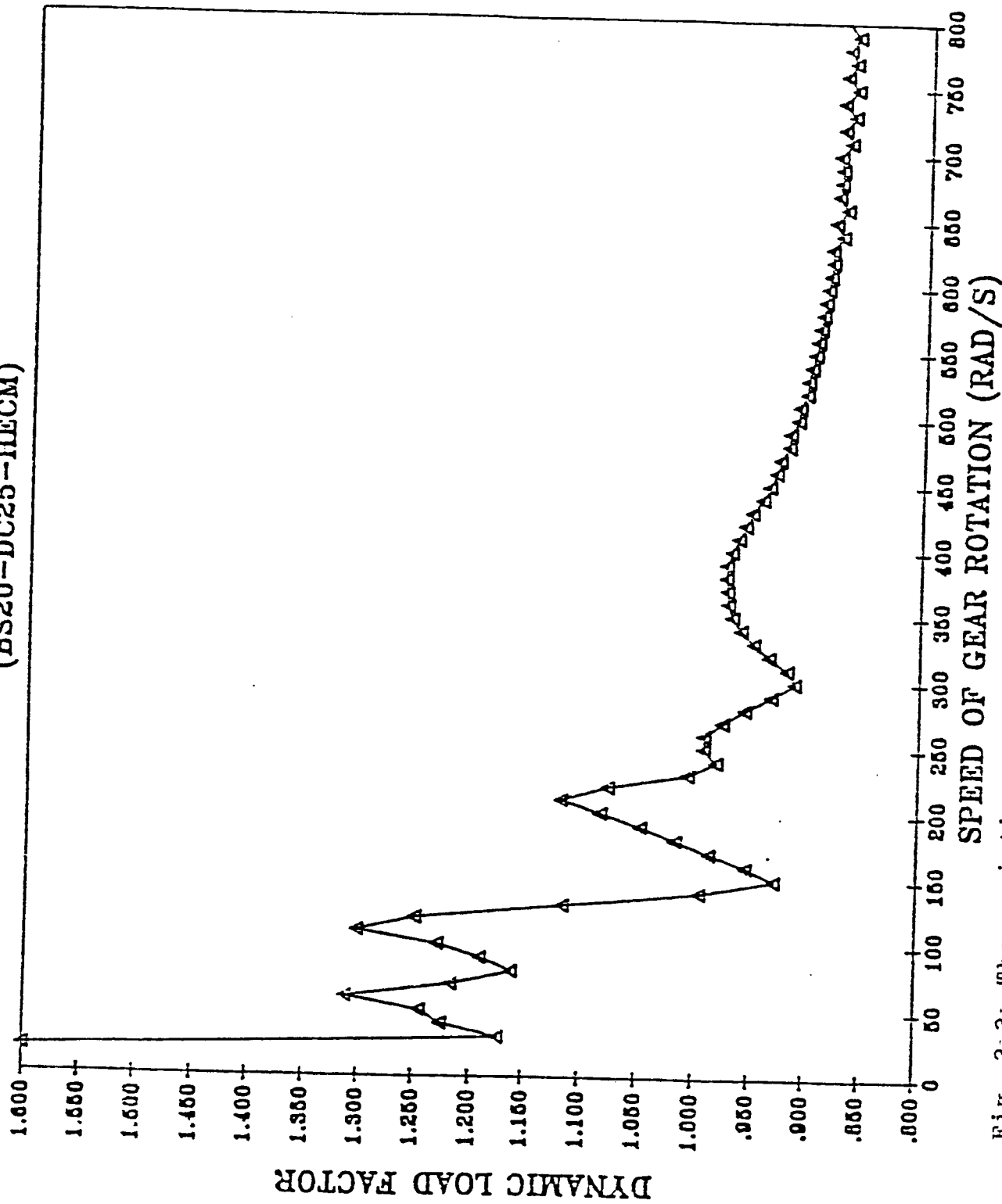


Fig. 3-3 The variation of dynamic load factor as the speed of gear rotation is changed (Chao's m and I, Hsu's a, bearing stiffness = 2,000,000 lbf/in, damping coefficient = 25 lbf.s/in)

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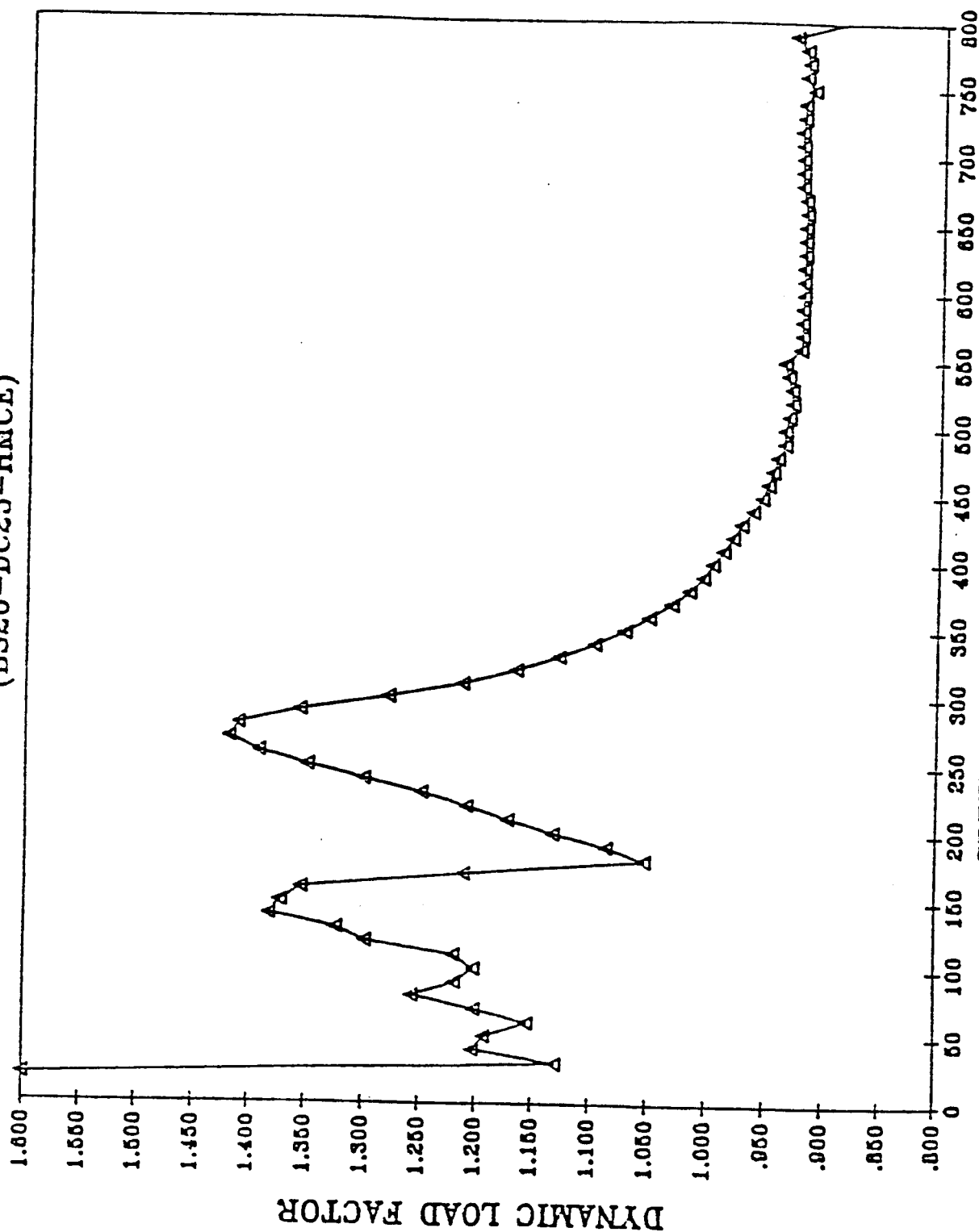


Fig. 3-4 The variation of dynamic load factor as the speed of gear rotation is changed (Hsu's m and I, Chao's a, bearing stiffness = 2,000,000 lbf/in, damping coefficient = 25 lbf.s/in)

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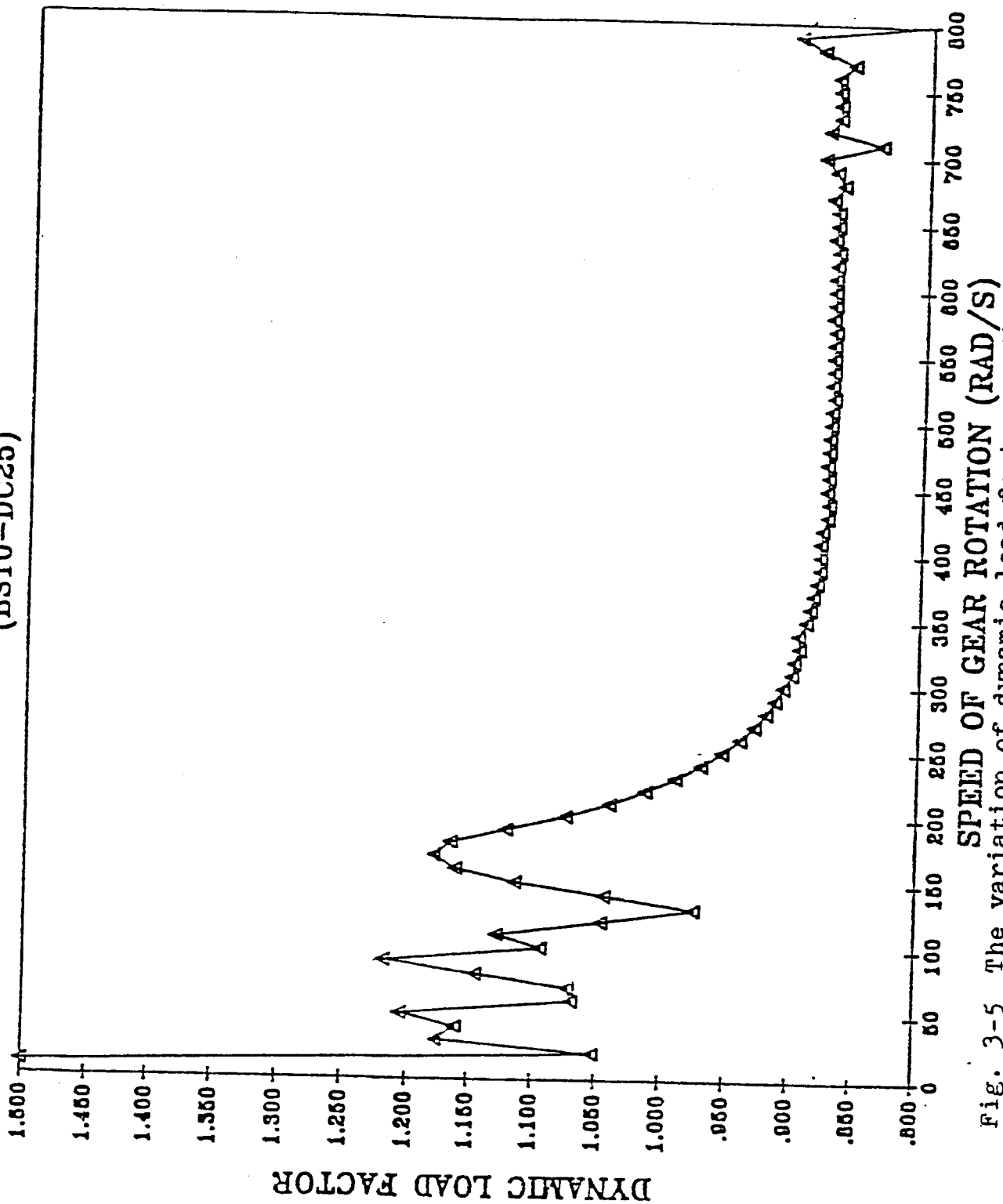


Fig. 3-5 The variation of dynamic load factor as the speed of gear rotation is changed (Hsu's m, I and a, bearing stiffness = 1,000,000 lbf/in, damping coefficient = 25 lbf.s/in)

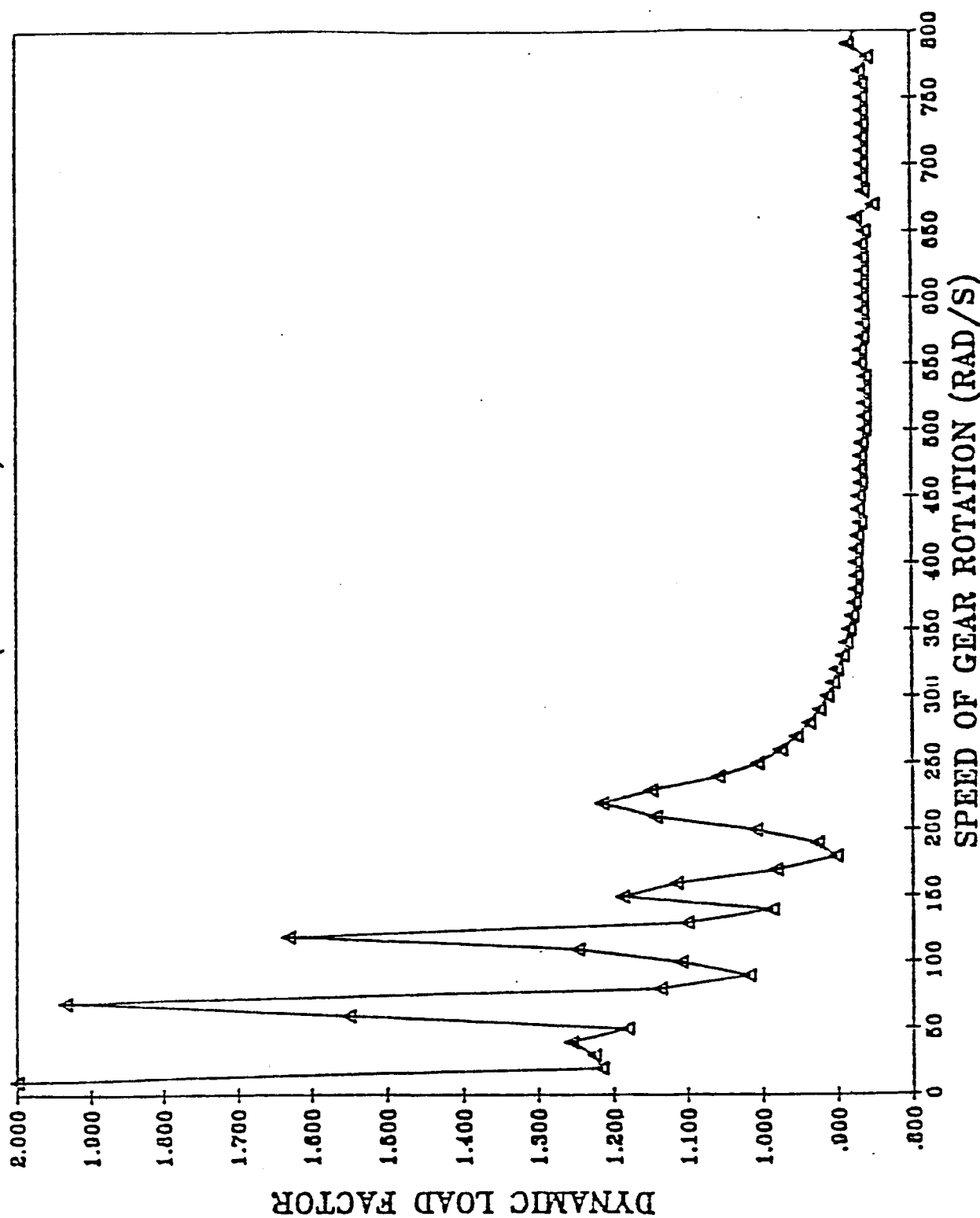


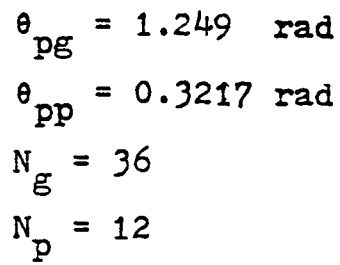
Fig. 3-6 The variation of dynamic load factor as the speed of gear rotation is changed (Hsu's m , I and a , bearing stiffness = 2,000,000 lbf/in, damping coefficient = 15 lbf.s/in)

CHAPTER IV

CONCLUSIONS

A computer code "FLEXM" was developed to calculate the flexibility matrices of contacting teeth for spiral bevel gears using a simplified analysis based on the elementary beam theory for the deformation of gear and shaft. The simplified method requires a computer time at least one order of magnitude less than that needed for the complete FEM(Finite Element Method) Analysis reported earlier by H. C. Chao, and it is much easier to apply for different gear and shaft geometry. Results were obtained for a set of spiral bevel gears whose dimensions are shown in Fig. 4-1. In this case the teeth deflections due to torsion, bending moment, shearing strain and axial force were found to be in the order 10^{-5} , 10^{-6} , 10^{-7} , and 10^{-8} respectively. Thus, for these gears, the torsional deformation is the most predominant part.

In the analysis of dynamic load, resonance frequencies were found to be larger when the mass or moment of inertia is smaller or the stiffness is larger. The change in damping coefficient has little influence on the resonance frequency, but has a marked influence on the dynamic load at the resonant frequencies.



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NOMENCLATURE

a(in Chapter II)	length along gear (or pinion) axis from the apex of pitch cone to the front plane (refer to Fig. 2-7)
a(in Chapter III)	flexibility influence coefficient
b	length along gear (or pinion) axis from the apex of pitch cone to the back plane (refer to Fig. 2-7)
c	length along gear (or pinion) axis from the apex of pitch cone to the center point of thrust bearing (refer to Fig. 2-7)
DC	damping coefficient
$(D_x)_C$	displacement of point C along x axis
d	length along gear (or pinion) axis from the apex of pitch cone to the center point of radial bearing (refer to Fig. 2-7)
E	modulus of elasticity
e	length along gear (or pinion) axis from the apex of pitch cone to the end plane of shaft (refer to Fig. 2-7)
G	shear modulus
I	moment of inertia
<u>K</u>	stiffness matrix

L	length along gear (or pinion) axis from the apex of pitch cone to the transverse plane through the grid point G (refer to Fig. 2-7)
M	moment
\underline{M}	mass matrix
m	mass
P	shear force
P_t	force along axis of shaft
r_i	radius of hole (refer to Fig. 2-7)
r_p	radius of pitch cone on the cross section passed by transverse plane at a distance x from y axis
r_s	radius of shaft (refer to Fig. 2-7)
T	torque about x axis
y_B	deflection at B in y direction
y'_B	slope at B
δ	deflection along axis of shaft
θ_p	pitch angle
$(\theta_x)_E$	angular displacement about x axis at point E
ϕ	twist angle about x axis

τ_{\max}

maximum shear stress

ω_n

the largest resonance frequency

APPENDIX A

TWO SAMPLES OF INPUT DATA FOR SAPIV

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APPENDIX B

DEFLECTION AND SLOPE AT POINT B

Referring to Fig. 2-7, one obtains the reaction force at c from $\Sigma (M_z)_C = 0$:

$$R_C = \frac{M_0 - P(d - L)}{d - c} \quad (B.1)$$

where $(M_z)_C$ is the moment about z axis through point C.

To obtain the deflection and slope at B, the beam is divide into 2 portions.

$$(1) \quad c < x < d$$

Considering the equilibrium of the portion of the beam to the right of point C (Fig. B-1), one can obtain

$$M_1 = (P + R_C)x - PL - R_Cc - M_0 \quad (B.2)$$

The moment of inertia of the cross sectional area with respect to the neutral axis is

$$I_1 = \frac{\pi(r_s^4 - r_i^4)}{4} \quad (B.3)$$

Let E be the modulus of elasticity, the differential equation of the elastic line for the beam is

$$\begin{aligned}
 y'' &= - \frac{M_1}{EI_1} \\
 &= - \frac{[(P + R_C)x - (PL + R_Cc + M_0)]}{EI_1}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{B.4}$$

Let

$$A_1 = - \frac{(P + R_C)}{EI_1} \tag{B.5}$$

$$A_2 = \frac{(PL + R_Cc + M_0)}{EI_1} \tag{B.6}$$

Then

$$y'' = A_1x + A_2 \tag{B.7}$$

Separating variables and integrating twice one obtains

$$y = \frac{A_1}{6}x^3 + \frac{A_2}{2}x^2 + C_1x + C_2 \tag{B.8}$$

where C_1 and C_2 are constants of integration.

The integration constants are determined from the conditions:

$$y = 0 \text{ at } x = c \text{ and } x = d$$

Substituting these conditions into the equation (B.8), one obtains

$$C_1 = -\frac{1}{6}[A_1(c^2 + cd + d^2) + 3A_2(c + d)] \quad (B.9)$$

$$C_2 = \frac{cd}{6}[A_1(c + d) + 3A_2] \quad (B.10)$$

With these values, the slope at $x = c$ can be obtained

$$y'_C = \frac{c}{2}(A_1c + 2A_2) + C_1 \quad (B.11)$$

$$(2) \quad b < x < c$$

Fig. B-2 is a free body diagram of the portion of the beam to the right of point B. One obtains

$$M_2 = P(x - L) - M_0 \quad (B.12)$$

$$I_2 = I_1 = \frac{\pi(r_s^4 - r_i^4)}{4}$$

The differential equation is

$$\begin{aligned} y'' &= -\frac{M_2}{EI_1} \\ &= \frac{-Px + (PL + M_0)}{EI_1} \end{aligned} \quad (B.13)$$

Let

$$A_3 = -\frac{P}{EI_1} \quad (B.14)$$

$$A_4 = \frac{PL + M_0}{EI_1} \quad (B.15)$$

Then

$$y'' = A_3x + A_4 \quad (B.16)$$

$$y' = \frac{A_3}{2}x^2 + A_4x + C_3 \quad (B.17)$$

$$y = \frac{A_3}{6}x^3 + \frac{A_4}{2}x^2 + C_3x + C_4 \quad (B.18)$$

At $x = c$, $y = 0$ and $y' = y'_C = \frac{c}{2}(A_3c + 2A_4) + C_3$,
one obtains

$$C_3 = y'_C - \frac{c}{2}(A_3c + 2A_4) \quad (B.19)$$

$$C_4 = -\frac{c}{6}(A_3c^2 + 3A_4c + 6C_3) \quad (B.20)$$

Then the deflection and slope of point B can be
obtained

$$y_B = \frac{b}{6}(A_3b^2 + 3A_4b + 6C_3) + C_4 \quad (B.21)$$

$$y'_B = \frac{b}{2}(A_3b + 2A_4) + C_3 \quad (B.22)$$

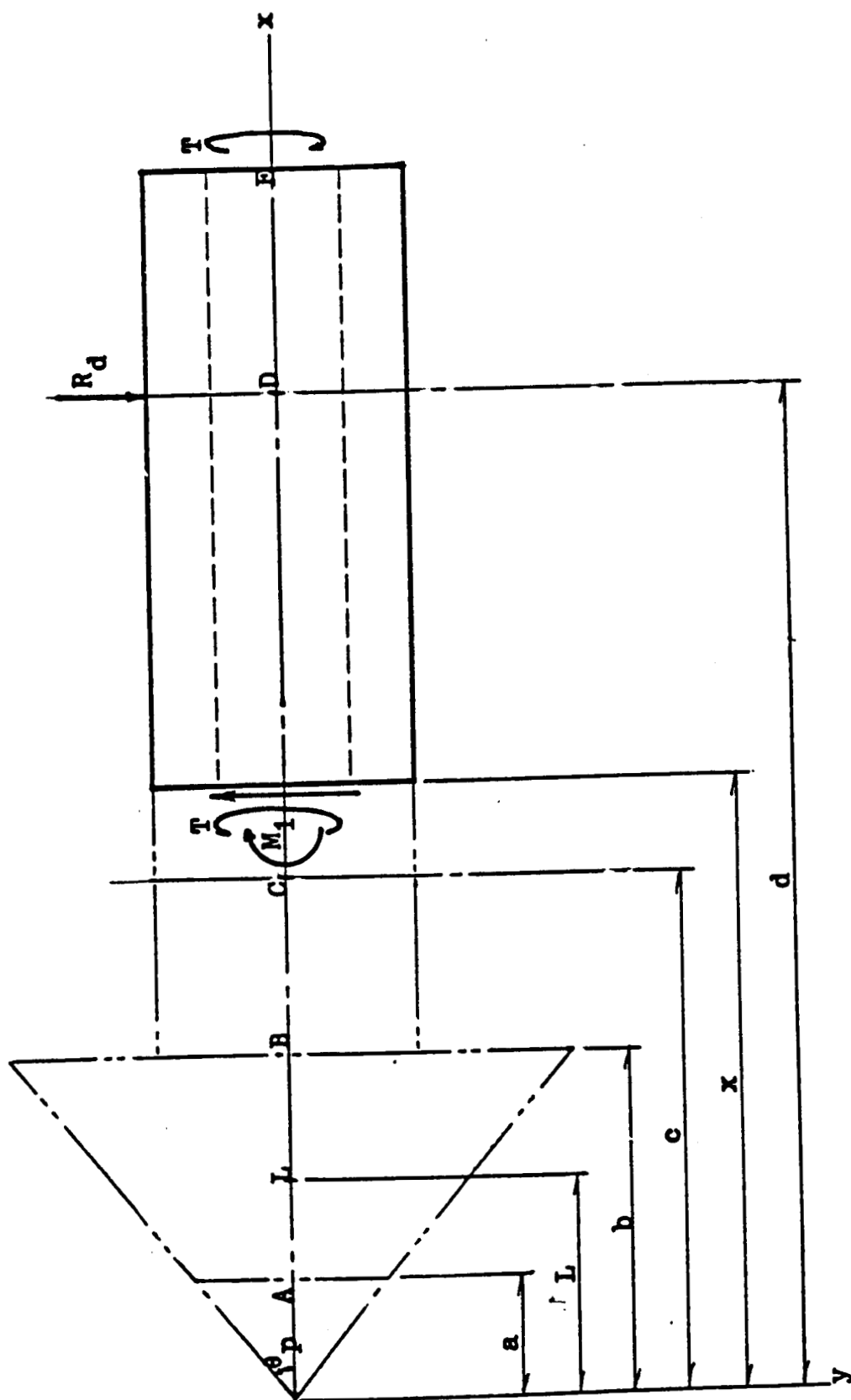


Fig. B-1 Free body diagram of the beam to the right of point C

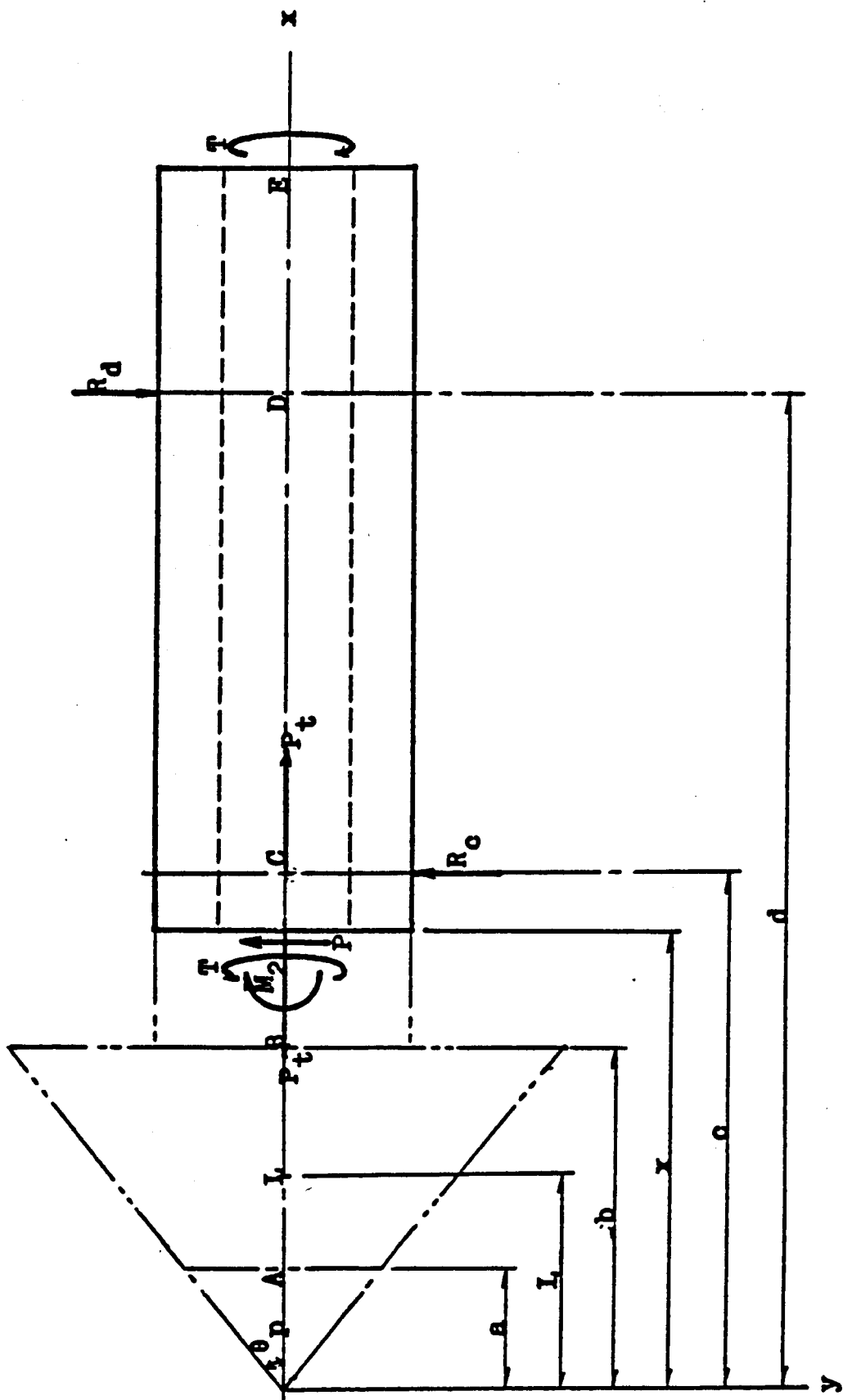


Fig. B-2 Free body diagram of the beam to the right of point B

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